The Attorney General

May 23, 1968

Director, FBI

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ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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Circuit Court Judge John C. Casey, St. Louis, Missouri, [redacted] sentenced James Earl Ray to twenty years in the penitentiary for armed robbery in 1959. James Earl Ray was serving this sentence when he escaped from Missouri State Penitentiary in April of 1967.

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